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MINUTES

Thursday, July 8, 2010 Meeting
6:00 p.m.
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Room 374-A

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

John Hybarger, Chairperson
Sandra Aronberg
Brad Nuremberg

EXCUSED ABSENCE

Timothy Jones, Vice Chair
Greg Bombard

STAFF PRESENT

Lee Millen
Jimmy Prieto
Roy Sinclair

INVITED GUESTS

Chanelle Davis, State Department of Fish & Game

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Hybarger called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 8, 2010 MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Nuremberg and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the April 8, 2010 minutes as presented. [See Supporting Document](#)

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REPORT

Lee Millen, Staff, reported that the Fish and Game Commission fund balance as of February 2010 is \$136,081.82. [See Supporting Document](#) Also, there is \$6, 286.99 in the TK7-7168 Fish and Game Trust Fund as of May 2010. [See Supporting Document](#)

On motion of Commissioner Nuremberg, seconded by Commissioner Aronberg and unanimously carried, the Commission received and filed the financial report.

STAFF REPORT

Mr. Millen reported that due to a reorganization in Commission Services, he is replacing Martha Arana as Staff; he introduced his Team: Jimmy Prieto, Roy Sinclair, and Nyla Jefferson (not present).

Chairman Hybarger thanked Ms. Arana for her service, and welcomed Mr. Millen and his Team to the Commission.

REPORT ON THE CURRENT/FUTURE EXPENDITURES UNDER THE EXISTING FISH AND GAME PROPAGATION FUND GRANT REQUEST, APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON AUGUST 18, 2009, TOTALING \$7,500 TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME TO PAY FOR HELICOPTER SERVICES TO MONITOR AND PRESERVE THE SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS BIGHORN SHEEP POPULATION – JEFF VILLEPIQUE, DFG

Chairman Hybarger reviewed correspondence received from Dr. Ben J. Gonzales, Senior Wildlife Veterinarian, CDFG; Jeff Villepique, Associate Wildlife Biologist, CDFG; and the Flying in the Wire and Obstruction Environment Course Description, requesting the use of up to \$2,000 for the wire-strike avoidance class. County Counsel advised that if the CDFG interprets 13103 (m) as allowing grant monies provided for helicopter services on August 18, 2009 by the Board of Supervisors, to be used for purposes of the helicopter training requested by CDFG, then no further action is needed.

Ms. Chanelle Davis, CDFG, representing Jeff Villepique, noted that the CDFG believes that the LAC Fish and Game Grant totaling \$7,500 to the CDFG can be utilized under 13103 (m), for purposes of providing mandatory training to biologists who participate in helicopter services to monitor and preserve the San Gabriel Mountains Bighorn Sheep population.

On motion of Commissioner Nuremberg, seconded by Commissioner Aronberg and unanimously carried, the Fish and Game Commission concurred with the DCFG that 13103 (m) allows for use of grant money in helicopter training for biologists that participate in aerial surveys of Bighorn Sheep. Also, that the State Department of Fish and Game has agreed to reimburse \$2,000 at a future date to the Society for the Conservation of Bighorn Sheep.

RECOMMENDATION BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME TO DISBURSE FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000 TO THE “SOCIETY FOR THE CONSERVATION OF BIGHORN SHEEP” TO BE ALLOCATED TO FUND “FLYING IN THE WIRE AND OBSTRUCTION ENVIRONMENT COURSE” HELICOPTER SAFETY COURSE

Chairman Hybarger advised that this item is moot in that the previous action allows the

funding for the DCFG helicopter safety course.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING LAC FISH AND GAME COMMISSION FACILITATING AND PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR THE FALL SOUTHERN COUNTIES REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE, AS REQUESTED BY THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA – CHAIRMAN HYBARGER

Chairman Hybarger reported that Santa Barbara County Fish and Game Commission has requested that LAC Fish and Game Commission consider hosting a fall Southern Counties Regional Commissioners' Conference.

Discussion ensued on the responsibility for setting the conference agenda, the conferee attendance fee, the public safety issue requiring the need to update hunting maps in the region, and southern counties' fishing closures, restrictions, and fish stocking.

On motion of Commissioner Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Nuremberg and unanimously carried, the Commission authorized the Chairman to begin preliminary plans for a Regional Commissioners' Conference, and upon recommendation by the Chairman to direct the conference planning, including a letter of interest to Southern Counties to assess the level of interest/participation for a Conference in November 2010 at the La Canada Fire Camp.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Chairman Hybarger reported the following:

- The DCFG has a new website with useful resources.
- The CA Fish and Game has a new editor.
- He attended the Whittier Narrows recreational opportunities informational event yesterday on President Obama's efforts on Americas Great Outdoors Initiative.

MATTERS NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA (TO BE PRESENTED AND PLACED ON THE AGENDA OF A FUTURE MEETING)

There was none.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Commissioner Nuremberg, seconded by Commissioner Aronberg and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.